9. Scrutinising the pension papers of the retired officers of the Department.

10. The control of the accounts section of the Director's Office.

Irrigation tanks.

31. *MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a list containing the number of irrigation tanks improved or newly constructed in each of the taluks of Neyyattinkara, Trivandrum, Nedumangad and Chirayinkil?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): The * list required by the member is placed on the table.

Irrigation tanks in the Chirayinkil taluk.

32. *MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to call for and place on the table a pakuthi-war statement of the irrigation tanks in the Chirayinkil taluk?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): The † statement is laid on the table.

Irrigation works in the Chirayinkil taluk.

33. *MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to state the amount that has been spent towards the irrigation works in the Chirayinkil taluk for the last six years?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Nil.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know from the member whether the necessity of attending to any irrigation work in the Chirayinkil taluk was brought to the notice of the Department?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): Not that I am aware of.

Expenditure on the Temple-Entry Committee.

34. *MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): With reference to the assurance given by the President on 26-5-34 in reply to my statement about the discrepancy between the answers given by the Chief Secretary on 16-11-33 and 25-5-34 about the expenditure on the Temple-Entry Committee, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how this discrepancy arose; and

(*b*) what the real expenditure is?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) It was due to a clerical mistake.

(*b*) The total expenditure on the Temple-Entry Enquiry Committee up to the end of Edavam 1109 is Rs. 25,529-16-10.

E. S. L. C. Examination.

35. *MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Changanachery I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

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†*Vide* Appendix II.

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(*a*) the total number of candidates that appeared for the E. S. L. C. Examination new scheme, from (i) departmental schools and (ii) non-departmental schools ;

(*b*) the percentage of passes from among (i) and (ii) ; and

(*c*) the highest percentage of pass obtained in any (i) departmental school and (ii) non-departmental school ?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*) ; (*a*) (i) 1,054.
(ii) 1,595.
(*b*) (i) 39·1
(ii) 45·3
(*c*) (i) 75
(ii) 88·2.

Private practice of Medical Officers.

36. ✻**MR. V. RAMAKRISHNA PANICKAR** (*Kartikapalli II*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is any rule prohibiting Sirkar Medical Officers from having private practice ;

(*b*) whether the Medical institutions in Travancore are intended only for the poor or for all alike ;

(*c*) if they are intended only for the poor, whether the rich are also treated in those institutions ;

(*d*) whether the rich that receive treatment in those institutions pay for the same ;

(*e*) whether Sirkar Medical Officers are allowed to use Sirkar supplies of medicine for their private practice and

(*f*) whether there is any means of checking Medical Officers in this matter ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :
(*a*) The answer is in the negative.
(*b*) For all alike.
(*c*) In view of the answer to part (*b*), this question does not arise.
(*d*) No.
(*e*) No.
(*f*) Yes.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : May I know from the member whether there are any complaints brought to the notice of the Government or the Department by patients who are refused treatment by the Darbar Physician or other Medical men on account of the patients' inability to satisfy the avariciousness of the Medical officers ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No ; Government have not received any complaint.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : May I know from the member whether any such complaint is entertained by the Government ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): If Government do receive such complaints, of course, they will be looked into.

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